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Dear Molly,

First I heard..will get details and ensure enhanced police presence. B

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 >>> "Rysman, Molly" <mrysm@bos.lacounty.gov> 08/05/2015 09:33 >>>
 Hello Chief Girmala,

I am not sure if you have been briefed about the homeless encampment problem at Will Rogers state beach in the West LA division, but one of the County's Beaches and Harbor staff people was assaulted at the beach last night. We had a previously scheduled meeting with LAPD next week to discuss the situation, but given the assault yesterday I wanted to reach out and see if LAPD can enhance patrol of the beach as soon as possible. Let me know if that is possible.

Thanks,

Molly

From: Kerry Silverstrom [mailto:KSilverstrom@bh.lacounty.gov]
 Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 8:35 AM
 To: Debbie DynerHarris
 Cc: Chong-Castillo, Maria; Zaiden, Rachel; Gary Jones; John Kelly; Kenneth Foreman
 Subject: FW: Assault Incident - Will Rogers North Night Crew
 Importance: High

A member of our nighttime crew was attacked last night by one of the homeless individuals camping at the beach. The female companion of the individual who assaulted our employee was inside vandalizing the restroom.

Although we understand the limited resources, we're hopeful LAPD can do a sweep on the earliest evening possible. As you can see below, female lifeguards are also concerned.

I know we're meeting next week at the 3rd District Offices but whatever can occur in the meantime would be greatly appreciated.

Kerry Silverstrom

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From: Kenneth Foreman

Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 8:16 AM

To: Gary Jones; Kerry Silverstrom; John Kelly; Carol Baker; Maria Chong-Castillo ; Zaiden, Rachel (rzaiden@bos.lacounty.gov<mailto:rzaiden@bos.lacounty.gov>)

Cc: Carlos Zimmerman; Jose Bedolla; Cory Wilkin; Edward Martinez

Subject: FW: Assault Incident - Will Rogers North Night Crew

Importance: High

Within days of a lifeguard being attacked on Venice Beach, one of our Grounds Maintenance Worker I's (GMWI) was attacked at Will Rogers last night by one of the people that are illegally camping on the beach. In summary, the male GMWI and his female partner were preparing to close the restrooms and noticed a woman attempting to stuff the toilets with toilet paper. She was asked to leave and, as they waited, a man walked up, yelled at them and punched the male GMWI in the face. The couple then left towards the beach. The incident was almost repeated before the police arrived when the man returned as hostile as before. Once the police arrived, they were able to locate the couple and they were arrested (female was later released since she was not directly involved in the assault).

Our employee declined medical attention. He will be assigned to a different work area in order to avoid contact with the person that attacked him, or anyone that may be associated with that person.

In a conversation I had with Chief Moseley (lifeguards) just yesterday, he expressed concerns for the safety of his female guards at Will Rogers and the actions that he needs to take to safeguard them as they complete their shifts each day.

Let me know if there are any questions or other actions that should be taken.

Thanks.

Ken Foreman

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From: Edward Martinez

Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 12:27 AM

To: Kenneth Foreman; Carlos Zimmerman; Jose Bedolla; Cory Wilkin
Cc: Charles Ferguson; Angelica Carino
Subject: Assault Incident - Will Rogers North Night Crew
Importance: High

Hello Everyone,

Tonight, employee William Beckham called me (Edward Martinez) around 9:15pm stating that an individual had assaulted him while closing Bel Air Restroom. I advised William to call 911 and immediately responded to the location. When I arrived to the site, William and Maria Duenas (work partner) were both standing by their work vehicle, stationed rear of Bel Air Restroom. Maria informed me that an individual had swung and hit William on his nose, and knocked his work hat off. At the time when I arrived, William was on the phone speaking with a 911 dispatcher (officers were being dispatched to location). After hanging up, William informed me that he was standing next to Maria, waiting to lock up the woman's restroom door, when a male individual walked up towards them, yelled at them and then turned and swung at William (hitting him on the nose and knocking his hat off). At this point I asked William if he need medical attention and that I would take him to a hospital if so. He seemed unsure at the time, so explained to him his options. He agreed to receive medical attention. Maria then proceeded to inform me that before the attack, a female individual that was inside the restroom, stuffing toilets with TP and that she (Maria) informed the woman that they were locking up. They were both standing by the door, waiting for the woman to leave. It appears that the female individual and the attacker knew each other. Once the incident occurred, both the female and male individuals walked away, heading towards the beach (sand). William and Maria locked the door immediately and proceeded to walk away, contacting me then 911. I immediately notified District Manager, Jose Bedolla, who advised me to take notes of incident, acquire any possible information from police officers responding, fill out necessary paperwork and notify Safety Officer. I (briefly) returned to the service yard to relieve remaining work crew, still waiting to sign out. A few minutes later William called me and while speaking on the phone, suspect re-appeared, began yelling at them and rushed towards William and Maria, at which point I advised them to get in their vehicle and immediately return to the service yard (I locked the gate once they arrived). When the police arrived, William, Maria and myself left the yard together inside a vehicle and met up with them at Bel Air Restroom. Officers spoke with William and requested him to walk with them to locate the suspect. Local homeless individuals from the area informed us that both female and male suspects were camped out on the sand, in front of the restroom (inside a tent). Officers approached the tent and asked male individual inside to step out. William positively identified the suspect and officers immediately handcuffed and placed individual inside their police car. Female individual was cuffed, but later release since she was not physically involved in the assault. Officers informed her that she was not permitted to camp on the beach and that she needed to pack her belongings and leave immediately. Officers informed William that he would have to agree to a "Private Persons Arrest for Battery" in order to detain the suspect. William informed police officers that he was OK with that, at which point they informed us that suspect would then be processed and locked up. They also informed us that that William, witnesses (Maria) and suspect would have to appear in court in order to resolve this matter. Officers took Maria's statement, provided me with a business card (with case number), and instructed us to leave the scene. We returned to the service yard, William and Maria wrote their statements, I contacted District Manager Jose Bedolla with an update and left a message on the Safety Officers voice mail. I asked William if he was still interested in medical attention, which he ultimately decided to decline and had him sign a "Decline Medical Treatment" form. Employees then signed out and went home (10:30pm). I have attached copies of all the paperwork I have and emailed a copy of the "Security Incident Report" to the Office of Security Management.

Please feel to contact me if you have any questions,

Edward Martinez, Grounds Maintenance Worker II

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